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SUBJECT: GSP TREATMENT FOR SUGAR

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REFS: (A) SAN JOSE 1969, (B) SAN SALVADOR 1924,

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1. IN RESPONSE TO REFTTEL WE PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION FOR USE ON AN AS NEEDED BASIS.

2. WE HAVE ALREADY (MARCH 24) SUBMITTED TO THE INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION (ITC) A LIST OF PRODUCTS, INCLUDING SUGAR, (TSUS NO. 15520) WHICH ARE TO BE CONSIDERED FOR GSP DUTY FREE TREATMENT. SUGAR WAS INCLUDED ON THE LIST IN RESPONSE TO THE REQUESTS OF A NUMBER OF DEVELOPING NATIONS AND THE COMBINED LIST PREPARED BY THE OAS/SCCN MEETING IN GUATAMALA CITY ON NOVEMBER 14, 1974. WE ASSUME THE GOCR CONTRIBUTED TO THE PREPARATION OF THAT LIST. ITC IS CHARGED WITH EVALUATING THE PROBABLE IMPACT ON U.S. PRODUCERS AND CONSUMERS OF GRANTING DUTY FREE TREATMENT TO THE PRODUCTS ON THE LIST. BASED UPON THE ADVICE OF THE ITC AND THE RESULTS OF HEARINGS CONDUCTED BY THE ADMINISTRATION, A FINAL REVIEW OF THE LIST WILL BE CONDUCTED BEFORE IT IS FORWARDED TO THE PRESIDENT. ANY REPRESENTATIONS BY LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES WITH RESPECT TO THE SUGAR ISSUE WILL BE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT AT THAT TIME.

3. IN ANY CASE, IT SEEMS UNLIKELY THAT THE EIGHT OR TEN EXTREMELY SMALL SUGAR PRODUCERS WHICH BENEFIT BY REDUCTION OF THE DUTY ON THEIR EXPORTS OF SUGAR TO THE U.S. WOULD BE ABLE TO EXPAND THEIR OUTPUT (IN RESPONSE TO WHAT AMOUNTS AT CURRENT MARKET CONDITIONS TO ONLY A 3 PERCENT PRICE ADVANTAGE) TO SUCH AN EXTENT THAT THE INTERESTS OF THE LARGER PRODUCERS WOULD BE SIGNIFICANTLY AFFECTED.

4. SHOULD SUGAR REMAIN ON THE LIST OF PRODUCTS ELIGIBLE FOR GSP TREATMENT AFTER FINAL PRESIDENTIAL REVIEW, THE MAJOR PRODUCERS COULD STILL PURSUE ELIMINATION OF THE TARIFF IN GENEVA WITHIN THE CONTEXT OF THE MULTILATERAL TRADE NEGOTIATIONS.

5. FOR SAN SALVADOR AND GEORGETOWN: STATE 104372 DEALT WITH SOME RATHER SPECIFIC QUESTIONS ON COSTA RICA'S PARTICIPATION IN GSP AND WOULD NOT SHED ANY ADDITIONAL LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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LIGHT ON THE SUGAR QUESTION. INGERSOLL

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